

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named joint inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention, design or discovery entitled:

ANTENNA FOR ELECTRIC METER AND METHOD
OF MANUFACTURE THEREOF

the specification of which was filed on March 17, 1998.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above;

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to the patentability of this application as defined by Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

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I hereby claim no benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application.

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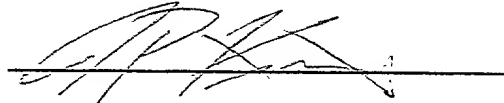
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